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Mr. Ron Allen, Chairman  
Utah Public Service Commission  
160 East 300 South  
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Dear Chairman Allen,

The White City Township Community Council, at their meeting held on July 2, 2014 moved to oppose the fee increase being requested by Rocky Mountain Power for the following reasons:

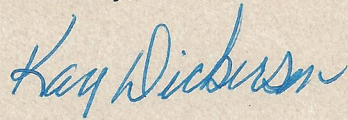
1. Those that have invested in solar panels have already invested a substantial sum already. In the absence of any rebates or tax credits, the payoff for solar panels is already around 15 years. With tax credits, it is around 8-10 years.
2. There are only 2000-2500 solar installations out there. This increase will promote less users of solar and increase reliance on the Rocky Mountain Power Grid.
3. Solar panels, and other alternative sources, are one big solution for our air quality, etc. How often are you hearing the radio and TV ads for "Wattsmart?" So they are promoting conservation and wise electricity usage, but want to increase the rate of those who are part of the solution (solar panel owners) have to pay? This is regressive and counter-productive.
4. During peak usage times (middle of the day-especially summers), solar panels are helping by either putting electricity into the grid or by reducing the amount of electricity they are drawing from the grid. This is also the time that solar panels are at their peak production.
5. Rocky Mountain Power offers a certain number of rebates (by lottery) for those who install solar panels. Now they want to turn around and charge people that conserve a surcharge for having solar panels. This negates all incentives to adjust the drain on current usage.
6. Rocky Mountain Power proposes to increase residential customers' utility bills by 5.1 %to include increases in the monthly customer charge from \$5 to \$8 increases in monthly minimum bills from \$7 to \$15 and a new monthly charge of \$4.25 on solar net metering customers. This creates a financial burden on our community. We have a majority of elderly and fixed income residents.
7. Rocky Mountain Power now generates two-thirds of its electricity from burning fossil fuels which is not lowering the asthma related health issues. We need guarantees that Rocking Mountain Power will not continue with business as usual practices.

8. Rocky Mountain Power seeks to justify its increases in part on the decreases caused by conservation and energy efficient products. That is a cost of doing business. Everyone in our country has been required to manufacture such high efficiency products. Our state has a campaign it is promoting, where growth is doubling the population. If this is the case then growth is providing customers for all the energy which is conserved for Rocky Mountain Power. Every industry and governmental entity must plan for conservation related expenses.

9. It is never a good idea to penalize the customers who conserve using free enterprise and free will. We should truly enforce cost based rates rather than class driven rates.

10. We are asking that the Public Service Commission of Utah deny the rate structure proposed by Rocky Mountain Power. It does not reflect commitments made to its customers for reducing energy consumption.

Sincerely,



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